

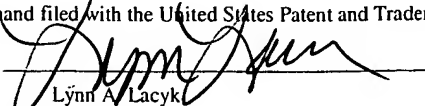


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DERIVATIVE (EPM-5) FOR LABELING
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In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification dated August 10, 2004, please amend this application as follows.

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AMENDMENTS

In the Drawings:

Please enter corrected Fig. 8 as set forth on the attached page.